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September 22nd, 1913

Professor Calvin Thomas,

German Department,

Columbia University.

Dear Professor Thomas:

I wrote you some months ago for suggestions as to filling Professor Vander Swissen's position in the German Department, and you very kindly offered me assistance in the matter. We have made temporary arrangements with the Kultus Ministerium of Prussia to send us a man for the ensuing academic year.

Last week, however, our Assistant Professor sent me word that the Doctors have forbidden him to undertake work for the coming year. We are accordingly looking for a young man who can take his place. If you can suggest any suitable man who would come very soon I should regard it as a great favour.

I am writing to Professor Francke of Harvard and Professor Cutting of Chicago in the hope that we may secure some one.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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September 30th, 1913

Professor Calvin Thomas,

Columbia University.

Dear Professor Thomas:

Many thanks for your letter. I regret, however, that you are unable to recommend any one for our temporary appointment.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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October 30th, 1913

Professor Calvin Thomas,

Columbia University.

Dear Professor Thomas:

I have to thank you for your kind letter of October 28th mentioning to me the name of Professor Coar as a possible choice for our vacant professorship in German. I should be glad to consider his name were it not that unless my hopes are disappointed we are about to determine upon a name to submit to the Board of Governors for the vacant position. However, one never knows what the result may be, and if you would at your convenience give me further information about Professor Coar, I should be glad to have it either for my own use or to transmit to may be to some one else.

Yours sincerely,

President.